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## DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)

Title of Invention	AMMONIUM SULFATE FOR NEUTRALIZATION OF INHIBITORY EFFECTS
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As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

The attached application, or  
 Application No. 10/057,748, filed on January 25, 2002,  
 as amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

I/we acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me/us to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the National or PCT International filing date of the continuation-in-part application, if applicable; and

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### FULL NAME OF INVENTOR(S)

Inventor one:	<u>Christian Korfhage</u>	Citizen of:	<u>Germany</u>
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Signature:	<u>C. Korfhage</u>	Date:	<u>26/03/02</u>
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Inventor two:	<u>Ralf Wyrich</u>	Citizen of:	<u>Germany</u>
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Signature:	<u>R. Wyrich</u>	Date:	<u>06.04.02</u>
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Inventor three:	<u>Uwe Oelmüller</u>	Citizen of:	<u>Germany</u>
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Signature:	<u>U. Oelmüller</u>	Date:	<u>04.04.02</u>
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Inventor four:		Citizen of:	
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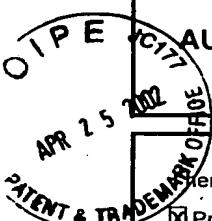
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<b>Application Number</b>	10/057,748
<b>Filing Date</b>	January 25, 2002
<b>First Named Inventor</b>	Christian Korfhage
<b>Group Art Unit</b>	1623
<b>Examiner Name</b>	
<b>Attorney Docket Number</b>	770025.401



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Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

 As assignee of record of the entire interest I/we hereby elect, under 37 C.F.R. § 3.71, to prosecute the application to the exclusion of the inventor.

**SIGNATURE of Applicant or Assignee of Record**

Name QIAGEN GmbH, Mett in Colpan

Signature

Date April 09, 2002

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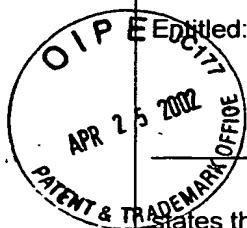
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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**Applicant/Patent Owner: Christian Korfhage, Ralf Wyrich, and Uwe OelmüllerApplication No./Patent No.: 10/057,748 Filed/Issue Date: January 25, 2002Entitled: AMMONIUM SULFATE FOR NEUTRALIZATION OF INHIBITORY EFFECTSQIAGEN GmbH  
(Name of Assignee)a Corporation  
(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership,  
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April 09, 2002

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**COPY****ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, we, Christian Korfhage, Ralf Wyrich and Uwe Oelmüller (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS), having mailing addresses of Sepp-Herberger Str. 6C, 40764 Langenfeld (Rhld.), Germany; Mühlenhof 4, 41516 Grevenbroich, Germany; and Millrather Weg 46, 40699 Erkrath, Germany, respectively, are the joint inventors of an invention entitled "AMMONIUM SULFATE FOR NEUTRALIZATION OF INHIBITORY EFFECTS," as described and claimed in the specification for which an application for United States letters patent was filed on January 25, 2002 and assigned Application No. 10/057,748. This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. 60/264,508, filed on January 25, 2001, and Provisional Application No. 60/264,488, filed on January 26, 2001;

WHEREAS, QIAGEN GmbH (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), having a place of business at Max-Volmer-Str. 4, 40724 Hilden, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and in and to any letters patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and any and all letters patent which may be granted for said invention in the United States of America and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries, and in any and all divisions, reissues and continuations thereof, including the right to file foreign applications directly in the name of ASSIGNEE and to claim priority rights deriving from said United States application to which said foreign applications are entitled by virtue of international convention, treaty or otherwise, said invention, application and all letters patent on said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns for their use and benefit and of their successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNORS had this assignment, transfer and sale not been made. ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all letters patent on said invention to ASSIGNEE. ASSIGNORS agree to execute all instruments and documents required for the making and prosecution of applications for United States and foreign letters patent on said invention, for litigation regarding said letters patent, or for the purpose of protecting title to said invention or letters patent therefor.

26/03/02

Date

City of Hilden)

Country of Germany)

Christian Korfhage

Christian Korfhage

ss.

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Christian Korfhage is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Date 26/03/02  
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B. Rogi  
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Brigitte Rogi  
(Type or Print Name of Witness)

04.04.02  
Date

City of Hilden)

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R. Wyrich  
Ralf Wyrich

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I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Ralf Wyrich is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

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U. Oelmüller

Uwe Oelmüller

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I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Uwe Oelmüller is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

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